

account or the user can be billed thereafter, which being user-responsible operation(s) and is a must for the second computer to return an authorisation (i.e., the dynamic password) in response thereto.

Therefore, the requirement of claim 1 as amended, that is, "authorising software for determining the presence of identity software on a computer and without actually using the identity software to cause operation(s) for which that user has to be responsible in determining the same, and for authorising use of the protected software on the computer if the identity software is determined as being present", and on which it can be readable that claim 1 as amended requires "authorising use of the protected software without causing user-responsible operation(s)", and this not met by Ananda.

The present invention as defined by claim 1 as amended can provide protection to purchased software and rental software by discouraging a user thereof from enabling or allowing other person(s) to use the protected software or a duplication copy thereof, after payment being made.

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